



# ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL CHENNAI BAR ASSOCIATION

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Ref: SC /CJI AFT CHD/187/2023

Dated: 27 Sep 2023

To  
Hon'ble Dr Justice DY Chandrachud  
CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA  
SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
TILAK MARG  
NEW DELHI – 110 001

Hon'ble Sir,

**SUB: DIRECT ASSAULT ON THE INDPENDENCE OF JUDICIARY AS  
REFLECTED BY THE SUDDEN TRANSFER OF JUSTICE DHARM  
CHAND CHAUDHARY OF ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL  
REGIONAL BENCH CHANDIGARH by the Chairperson of  
Principal Bench Armed Forces Tribunal New Delhi– as a reaction  
to the strictures passed by the Hon'ble Tribunal for non  
compliance of their Orders against the responsible Government  
Officials.**

Ref: Armed Forces Tribunal Chandigarh Bench Bar Association letter  
CJ1/02 dated 25.09.2023

This has reference to the above.

Sir, we were shocked and with disbelief after we heard the news about the  
Transfer Orders issued to the HOD of AFT Chandigarh bench.

We also perused the APPEAL CJI /02/2023 dated 25.09.2023 filed by the  
Bar Assn of AFT Chandigarh Bench BAR ASSN.



Sir, we would like to refer to the **Judgment dated 24.04.2018 in UOI VS Prithivi Singh & Ors**, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has passed judgment as under:

**PARA 17** *"To say the least, this is an extremely unfortunate situation of unnecessary and avoidable burdening of this Court through frivolous litigation which calls for yet another reminder through the imposition of costs on the Union of India while dismissing this appeal"*

**PARA 18.** *"The appeal is dismissed with costs of ₹.1,00,000/- as before to be deposited with the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee within four weeks from today for utilization for juvenile justice issue"*

Sirs, even today lots of Orders of the tribunals are taken to the Supreme Court as appeals and the litigants are not able to appear before the Hon'ble Supreme Courts due to lack of resources by the ex-servicemen.

in this regard, LOTS OF ORDERS passed by the Hon'ble Tribunals in Chennai Bench too have not been implemented by the respondents till date. As on date the Execution petitions numbered as MA –exceed the Original Applications filed in our Armed Forces Tribunal Chennai Bench.

The respondents are not heeding to any penalties imposed by the Hon'ble Tribunals. In addition to the above, the Disability pension appeals by the litigants are kept un-disposed for more than 3 years and the litigants are also advised not to send any reminders to them.

Justice Dharam Chand Chaudary –HOD of the AFT Chandigarh Bench has been assaulted by the MoD officials by interfering in the judicial functioning of the AFT, thereby putting a direct assault on the independence of Judicial



functioning and we are more aggrieved after learning that he has been transferred out of AFT Chandigarh on 25.09.2023 giving less than 12 hrs to comply with the orders.

We also learn that there are 3 Judicial Members in AFT Chandigarh and all the Execution Petitions have been transferred to the Principal Bench suo motto

Sir, needless to say, all the members of our Armed Forces Tribunal Chennai Bar Association STAND IN SOLIDARITY with our Brethren at Chandigarh for the cause of upholding the RESPECT, INTEGRITY & THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE JUDICIARY

Sir, we strongly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the MoD to curb the Judiciary Independence.

Sir, a meeting of the General Body of our AFT Chennai Bar Association shall be convened at the earliest to decide upon the further course of action regarding this issue.

Sir, these actions of MoD officials and the actions of the Principal Bench New Delhi gives out a wrong message to both the soldiers of the Armed Forces of the Country and their dependents as well as to the legal fraternity. *JUSTICE DELAYED IS JUSTICE DENIED*

Sir, only your Office has the supreme powers to curtail such practices and safe guard the constitutional provisions and ensure deliverance of natural justice is maintained in our country

Yours faithfully  
For ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL  
CHENNAI BAR ASSOCIATION

Secretary





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# ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL BAR ASSOCIATION

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Ref.: AFT/BA/26/23

Date: 26/09/2023

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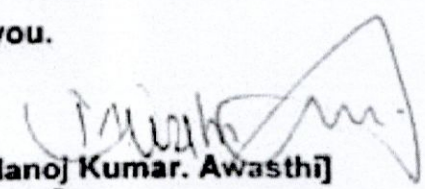
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This is in regards to the ongoing protest of the learned members of the Armed Forces Tribunal Chandigarh Bench Bar Association for upholding the integrity and independence of the judiciary as well that of the legal profession. The concerns raised by our learned friends at Chandigarh, is with respect to the transfer, that is being widely perceived as retributory, if not punitive, in nature, of the Hon'ble Judicial Member-cum-HoD of the AFT, Chandigarh Bench in response to the prudent and dutiful actions taken on part of His Lordship towards ensuring compliance of the orders issued by the Tribunal. The core issue of this controversy ails not only the members of the bar and bench at Chandigarh but it is a cause for grievance for all litigants from the armed forces as well as for the entire legal and judicial fraternity across the country.

Needless to say, the entire corpus of the AFT Bar Association, Lucknow stands in solidarity with our brethren at Chandigarh for the cause of upholding the respect, integrity and independence of the judiciary. We highly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the Ministry of Defence who're trying to curb the majesty of our judiciary in order to make Their Lordships act as per the ministry's bidding. It is an unprecedented and most deplorable encroachment of power.

A meeting of the general body of the AFT Bar Association, Lucknow shall be convened at the earliest to decide upon further course of action regarding this crucially important issue.

Thanking you.

  
[Manoj Kumar. Awasthi]

Gen. Secy.

AFT Bar Association Lucknow

(Manoj Kumar Awasthi)

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# **ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL BAR ASSOCIATION JAMMU BENCH**

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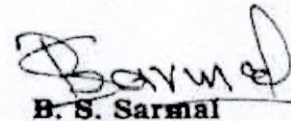
**Ref. No.: AFT/03/2023**

**Dated: 26.09.2023**

With reference to ongoing protest of the learned members of the Armed Forces Tribunal, Chandigarh Bench Bar Association for upholding the integrity and independence of the judiciary as well that of the legal profession. In strong protest against the illegal, unethical and shocking transfer of Hon'ble Justice Dharam Chand Choudhary, former Acting Chief Justice of Himachal Pradesh High Court and currently Judicial Member cum Head of Department of Chandigarh Bench of Armed Forces Tribunal by the Chairperson of Armed Forces Tribunal which amounts to a direct assault on the independence of the judiciary. The core issue of this controversy ails not only the members of the bar and bench at Chandigarh but it is a cause for grievance for all litigants from the armed forces as well as for the entire legal and judicial fraternity across the country.

Needless to say, the entire members of Armed Forces Tribunal Bar Association Jammu Bench stand in solidarity with our brethren at Chandigarh for the cause of upholding the respect, integrity and independence of the judiciary. We highly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the Ministry of Defence who're trying to curb the majesty of our judiciary in order to make their Lordship Act as per the Ministry's bidding. It is an unprecedented and most deplorable encroachment of power.

A meeting of the general body of the Armed Forces Tribunal Bar Association Jammu Bench shall be convened at the earliest to decide upon further course of action regarding this crucially important issue.



**B. S. Sarmal**

**President**

**AFT Bar Association at Jammu**





## District Bar Association Chandigarh



DISTRICT COURTS COMPLEX, SEC. 43, CHANDIGARH

REF. NO. ....925/23.....

DATED: 30-9-2023.....

This is in regards to the ongoing protest of the Ld. Members of the Armed Forces Tribunal Chandigarh Bench Bar Association for upholding the integrity and independence of the judiciary as well that of the legal profession. The concerns raised by our Ld. Members/colleagues at Chandigarh is with respect to the transfer, i.e. being widely perceived as retributory, if not punitive, in nature, of the Hon'ble Judicial Member-Cum-HOD of the AFT Chandigarh Bench in response to the prudent and dutiful actions taken on part of His Lordship towards ensuring compliance of the orders issued by the tribunal. The core issue of this controversy else not only the members of the bar and bench at Chandigarh but it is a cause for grievances for all litigants from the Armed Forces as well as for the entire legal and judicial fraternity across the country.

Needless to say, the entire corpus of the District Bar Association Sector-43, Chandigarh stands in solidarity with our brethren advocates at AFT Bar Association Chandigarh Bench for the cause of upholding the respect, integrity and independence of the judiciary. We highly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the Ministry of Defence who are trying to curve the majesty of our judiciary in order to make their Lordships act as per the ministry's bidding. It is an unprecedented and most deplorable encroachment of power.

A meeting of general body of the District Bar Association Chandigarh shall be convened at the earliest to decide upon further course of action regarding crucial important issue.

**Shankar Gupta**

**President, DBA**

**Chandigarh.**

**Shankar Gupta**

**(President)**

**Distt. Bar Association  
Chandigarh**



**Bhupinder Rana**

**Secretary, DBA**

**Chandigarh.**





# DISTRICT BAR ASSOCIATION PANCHKULA

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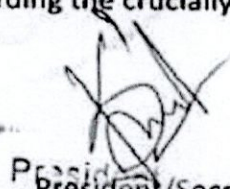
Dated.....

Dated : 27.09.2023

This is in regard to the ongoing protest of the learned members of the Armed Forces Tribunal Chandigarh Bench Bar Association for upholding the integrity and Independence of the Judiciary as well that of the legal profession. The concerns raised by our learned friends at Chandigarh, is with respect to the transfer, that is being widely perceived as retributory, if not punitive, in nature, of the Hon'ble Judicial Member-cum-Hod of the AFT, Chandigarh Bench in response to the prudent and dutiful actions taken on part of his Lordship towards ensuring compliance of the orders issued by the Tribunal. The core issue of this controversy ails not only the members of the bar and bench at Chandigarh but it is a cause for grievance for all litigants from the armed forces as well as for the entire legal and judicial fraternity across the country.

Needless to say, the entire corpus of the Bar Association, Panchkula stands in solidarity with our brethren at Chandigarh for the cause of upholding the respect, integrity and independence of the judiciary. We highly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the Ministry of Defence who're trying to curb the majesty of our judiciary in order to make their lordship act as per the ministry's bidding. It is an unprecedented and most deplorable encroachment of power.

A meeting of the general body of the District Bar Association, Panchkula shall be convened at the earliest to decide upon further course of action regarding the crucially important issue.

  
President/Secretary  
District Bar Association  
Panchkula

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# DISTRICT BAR ASSOCIATION, KURUKSHETRA



DISTRICT COURTS, KURUKSHETRA-136118

Ref. No. 392

Dated 29/9/23

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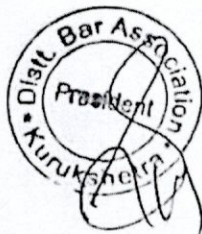
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Needless to say, the entire corpus of the District Bar Association, Kurukshetra stands in solidarity with our brethren at Chandigarh for the cause of upholding the respect, integrity and independence of the judiciary. We highly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the Ministry of Defence who're trying to curb the majesty of our judiciary in order to make their Lordships act as per the ministry's bidding. It is an unprecedented and most deplorable encroachment of power.

A meeting of the general body of the District Bar Association, Kurukshetra shall be convened at appropriate time to decide upon further course of action regarding this crucially important issue.





# DRT BAR ASSOCIATION CHANDIGARH

## S.C.O. 33-34-35, SECTOR 17, CHANDIGARH

REF NO.: DRTBA/CHD/81/22-23

DATE: 27.09.2023

To

The President,  
Armed Force Tribunal Bar Association,  
Panchkula.

**Subject:** Regarding expressing the solidarity with the President, Armed  
Force Tribunal Bar Association, Panchkula.

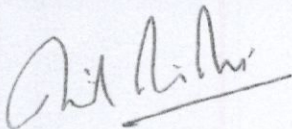
Respected Sir,

This is in regards to the ongoing protest of the Learned Members of the Armed Force Tribunal Chandigarh Bench, Bar Association for upholding the integrity and independence of the judiciary as well that of the legal profession and in order to express the solidarity as a unity of legal fraternity, the President Amit Rishi along with all the Hon'ble members of DRT Bar will extend full support to Armed Force Tribunal Bar Association, Panchkula in view of the call given by the President, Armed Force Tribunal, Panchkula with regard to the strong protest against the illegal, unethical and shocking transfer of Justice Dharam Chand Choudhary, former Acting Chief Justice of the Himachal Pradesh High court and currently Judicial Member cum Head of the Department of the Chandigarh Bench of the Armed Forces Tribunal, by the Chairperson of AFT. The DRT Bar under the chairmanship of the President, Sh Amit Rishi will always stand beside you in the interest of dignity of the legal and judicial fraternity and in the interest of justice and will provide full support till the issue resolved..

Regards & Thanks

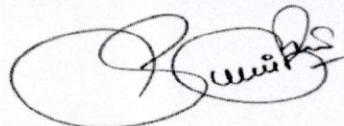
for **DRT Bar Association, Chandigarh**

**AMIT RISHI Advocate**



**PRESIDENT**  
**DRTBA, CHD**

**SUMIT BATRA Advocate**



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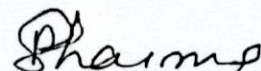
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Needless to say, the entire corpus of the Veterans Air Warrior Association Kurukshetra stands in solidarity with our brethren at Chandigarh for the cause of upholding the respect, integrity and independence of the judiciary. We highly condemn the attempts of the bureaucrats at the Ministry of Defence who're trying to curb the majesty of our judiciary in order to make their Lordships act as per Ministry's bidding. It is an unprecedented and most deplorable encroachment of power.

A meeting of the Executive Body of Veterans Air Warrior Association Kurukshetra shall be convened at appropriate time to decide upon further course of action regarding this crucially important issue connected with all veterans of Armed Forces.

  
(Rishi Ram Sharma)  
General Secretary  
Veteran Air Warrior Association  
Kurukshetra (Haryana)

